Captain Walcot's *Letter before his Attainder of High-Treaſon, in compaſſing the Death of King* C. II. *confeſſing his Guilt, and proffering to be a Spy upon his own Party.*

To the Right Honourable Sir Leoline Jenkins, *&c.*

Honoured Sir,

I Being in the Countrey, and to my great trouble ſeeing my ſelf in His Majeſty's Proclamation, I came laſt Night to Town, reſolving to lay my ſelf at His Majeſty's Feet, let him do with me what he pleaſeth; This is the firſt Crime I have been guilty of, ſince His Majeſty's Reſtoration, and too ſoon by much now: If His Majeſty thinks my Death will do him more good than my Life, God's Will, and His be done. Until I ſent your Honour this Letter, my Life was in my own power, but now it is in the King's; to whom I do moſt humbly propoſe, That if His Majeſty deſires it, I will diſcover to him all that I know relating to *England*, *Scotland*, or *Ireland*; which I ſuppoſe may be ſomething more than the Original Diſcoverer was able to acquaint His Majeſty with; eſpecially as to *Ireland*: There is not any thing His Majeſty ſhall think fit to ask me, but I will anſwer him the Truth, as pertinently, and as fully as I can. My intimacy with a *Scotch* Miniſter, through whoſe Hands much of the Buſineſs went, I judge occaſioned my knowing very much: And I do further humbly propoſe, That if His Majeſty thinks it adviſable, I will follow thoſe Lords and Gentlemen that are fled into *Holland*, as if I fled thither, and had made my Eſcape alſo, and will acquaint the King, if I can find it out, what Meaſures they reſolve of taking next: I do aſſure His Majeſty, the Buſineſs is laid very broad, or I am miſinformed. And I am ſure as to that particular, if my being with His Majeſty, and your Honour, be not diſcovered, I ſhall be ten times abler to ſerve him, than either Mr. *Freeman*, or Mr. *Carr*; for they will truſt neither of them. There's ſcarce any thing done at Court, but is immediately talk'd all the Town over; therefore if His Majeſty thinks what I have preſumed to propoſe, Adviſable, I do then further moſt humbly Propoſe, That my waiting upon His Majeſty may be ſome time within Night, that your Honour will acquaint me the Time and Place where I may wait upon you, in order to it; and that it may be within Night alſo, and that no body may be by, but His Majeſty, and your Honour; And if His Majeſty pleaſeth to Pardon my Offences for the Time paſt, he ſhall find I will approve my ſelf very Loyal for the future; if not, I reſolve to give his Majeſty no further trouble, but to lye at His Mercy, let him do with me what he pleaſeth. I purpoſe to ſpend much of this day in *Weſtminſter-Hall*, at leaſt from Two of the Clock to Four. I beg your Pardon I ſend your Honour this by a Porter: I aſſure your Honour, it was for no other reaſon, but becauſe I would not have a third Perſon Privy to it; and that I might have the better opportunity to make good my Word to His Majeſty, and to approve my ſelf

Your Honours moſt humble Servant,

THO. WALCOT.